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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/483,170
Filing Date	January 14, 2000
First Named Inventor	Suresh Venkatraman, et al.
Group Art Unit	2126
Examiner Name	Phuong N. Hoang
Attorney Docket No.	MFCP.68209
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This is a Request for continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 7, 2003
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other: _____
- b. **Enclosed**
- i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other: _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1039c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)
- b. Other: _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.
- i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) - \$750.00
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) - \$0
 - iii. Other: _____
- b. Check in the amount of \$_____ enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Kerry H. Owens	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	37,412
Signature		Date	August 5, 2003

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\$750.00

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METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number **19-2112**Deposit Account Name **Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP** Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.272. Payment Enclosed: Check Credit Card Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	243	230	Design issue fee	
1503	630	244	310	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	122	130	Petitions of the Commissioner	
1807	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
8021	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per properties (times number of properties)	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1809	750	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1810	750	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claims, if not paid	
1801	750	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	\$750.00
1204	84	2204	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1802	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2) \$0					
Other fee (specify) _____					
*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid					
SUBTOTAL (3) \$750.00					

** or number previously paid, if greater; For reissues, see above.

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